

# Meet our Medical Reserve Corps COVID Vaccine Navigators Carolyn Sanford and Kathy Malley

Our COVID Vaccine Navigators are available to work directly with your staff in Chesapeake practices and clinics to assist with the CDC COVID vaccine registration system and documents. They will also be available to provide guidance on setting up inventory processes, electronic recording requirements, billing processes, and they will be the main vaccine information consultants for any COVID vaccine-related questions or issues. There are many questions regarding the vaccine, with more information being offered by the minute. Our Vaccine Navigators can assist you and your staff by serving as subject matter experts with a direct connection to VDH.

**The best part? This vital service is offered AT NO CHARGE to Chesapeake medical practices who wish to become a COVID vaccination site.**

The Virginia Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a force of dedicated volunteers who stand ready to support the community in the event of a public health emergency. We are fortunate to have a top-notch Chesapeake MRC Team in our community.

Since February, MRC volunteers have worked over 110,000 hours in support of COVID-19 testing, outbreak investigation, contact tracing, public information, and medical surge response in long-term care facilities. Each member has been fully vetted and trained and has liability protection through the Commonwealth. Our MRC COVID Vaccine Navigators are also experienced registered nurses who have served the Chesapeake community for decades. They are familiar with the nuances and needs of our community, as well as the requirements and processes involved in COVID vaccine distribution. The COVID vaccine is provided, at no charge, to all health care systems and providers; however, if

**your practice becomes a COVID vaccination participant site, you will be able to bill an administrative fee of \$21.00 per injection for insured patients.**

If your office is interested in being part of this historic medical event, please contact our COVID Vaccine Navigators to help start the process of enrollment.

*"As an older Pediatrician and long-time Public Health Director, I have experienced the devastating impact on public health before broad vaccine usage was available. It's heart-wrenching and exhausting. As health care providers, we have another opportunity to save lives and reduce misery by providing COVID-19 vaccines to patients—the people who put their trust in our expertise and guidance. Together we can truly make a difference in our community. I look forward to working with our health care professionals to help make our community safe and back to normal again. Thank you!"*

**- Dr. Nancy Welch, Director,  
Chesapeake Health Department**



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